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The Severing Crime Edge

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THERE'S
A PAIR OF
SCISSORS
NAMED "THE
SEVERING
CRIME
EDGE."



...A
CURSED
WEAPON,
THE
"KILLING
TOOL"
OF A
BLOODY
MURDERER.

IT
IS
ALSO
...



THE ONLY
TOOL
CAPABLE
OF CUTTING
THE HAIR
OF THIS
SMALL
LITTLE GIRL
IS THIS
MUSHINO-
KOSU.



...AND
TO
POS-
SESS
HER.

...I
USE
THESE
TO CUT
MY
ENEMIES
...



cut07: "Where's the Guest"



cut07: "Where's the Guest"







THIS
YEAR WE
PLAN TO
RENT A
TRAINING
FACILITY IN
KAGAMI-
DAKE.

...ON A
3-DAY
2-NIGHT
ORIENT-
TEERING
TRIP WITH
THE HIGH
SCHOOL.

...BEFORE
THE LONG
HOLIDAY,
WE WILL
GO...

...AS
WITH
EVERY
YEAR.



...CAN
BECOME
BETTER
PREPARED
TO BE A
PART OF
THE HIGH
SCHOOL
ONCE
NEXT YEAR
BEGINS.

SURROUNDED
BY NATURE,
WE'RE HOPING
THAT THE
JUNIOR HIGH
3RD YEAR
STUDENTS,
MOST OF
ALL...



OH...
SHE
CAN'T
SEE.

THANK
YOU
VERY
MUCH.

THAT
IS
ALL.

THE
TOKUGA
SCHOOL
CONSISTS
OF BOTH
MIDDLE
AND HIGH
SCHOOLS.

WE
WILL GO
DIRECTLY
INTO
HIGH
SCHOOL
FROM
HERE.

CHAIRMAN
ZAIGA OF
THE HIGH
SCHOOL'S
STUDENT
COUNCIL.

IT'S NOT
TOO
HEctic

BUT IT
SEEMS
LIKE IT
WAS A
GOOD
CHOICE.

I CHOSE
THIS
SCHOOL
JUST
BECAUSE IT
WAS CLOSE
TO MY
GRAND-
FATHER'S
PLACE.

00.



ASIDE
FROM
THAT, I
VISITED
JINJI
REGU-
LARLY...

...I
EVEN
WENT
BACK TO
MY
PARENTS'
PLACE
FOR
SPRING
BREAK.

THERE
HAVEN'T
BEEN ANY
ATTACKS
FROM
AUTHORS
THEIR
TOOLS
SINCE
SLIDGE-
HAMMER.



...TO
CUT
HER
HAIR.



EVERY-
THING
WAS
PEACEFUL.

AND
THE DAYS
WILL
CONTINUE
TO PASS
BY
PEACE-
FULLY...



...
**HOPE-
FULLY.**



IT'LL
BE TOUGH
WITH
BRYNN-
ZAKA (THE
YOUNGBOY
...)



...IT'S
OKAY.



IN FACT,
I'LL
HAVE TO
CONSTANT-
LY BE ON
THE
LOOKOUT...



YEAH.

WE'RE
IN THE
SAME CLASS
...? REALLY
...?



YOU,
OR
ANYONE
ELSE...

I'LL TRY
NOT TO
BOTHER
YOU
UNLESS
IT'S
NECESSARY.

IT'LL
BE THE
SAME
AS
BEFORE.



...I
THINK
IT'S JUST
BECAUSE
YOU'RE
DIFFICULT
TO
APPROACH.



MAYBE
SHE'S
KILLED
SOMEONE

I
CAN'T
STAND
GLOOMY
PEOPLE

RIGHT,
KOTARU
WAS
CAUTIOUS
OF HER
TOO.



...I'M
NOT
NORMAL.

NO-
BODY
LIKES
ME...



I
DON'T
THINK
YOU
NEED
TO
CALL
YOURSELF
ABNORMAL

IT'S NOT
AS IF
ANYONE
KNOWS
ABOUT
THE
TOOLS
IN
THIS
SCHOOL.

...IF
YOU
DON'T
GET
INVOLVED,
YOU
MAKE
YOURSELF
HARDER
TO
TALK
TO.







MY FATHER WAS AN ANTIQUE DEALER.

HE BOUGHT AND SOLD ANTIQUES FROM AROUND THE WORLD.
HE WAS ALWAYS BUSY.



BUT THERE WAS ONE PLACE HE ALWAYS WENT.

HE SAID IT HAD A NICE ATMOSPHERE AND THE FOOD TASTED GREAT.

SOUNDS GOOD!

IS IT CLOSE?

I THINK I HAVE THE ADDRESS SOMEWHERE AT HOME...

A BIT FAR, BUT IN THIS CITY.





...I
PROMISED
MYSELF
THAT I'D
PROTECT
HER.

I'LL
BE
READY.











I
CAN'T
SEE.

...I'M
SORRY.



SO,
WHAT
WOULD
YOU
LIKE?

YOU'LL
BE
ARRESTED
YOU
IDIOT.

I
WANT
TO
TRY
A
PICKED
CRAB!







...I'M
HERE
FOR.

THAT'S
WHAT
...

OF
COURSE.

HUH?

...WANT
ME TO
PLAY
SOME-
THING?

YOU
CAN
PLAY
?

BLOODY
MARY
SOUNDED
LIKE A
SUPER
MOVE.

I
GUESS.



UNFOR-
TUNATELY,
THERE
AREN'T
MANY
CUS-
TOMERS.

SHE
PLAYS
HERE
OFTEN
AT
NIGHT.

SHE'S A
MUSICIAN.





THE
SIGHT
OF
THEM
HOLDING
HANDS

...



...AND
HOLDING
IWA'S
HAIR



...
LOOKED
ALMOST
LIKE...



...SO
THE
PERFORM-
ANCE
BEGINS.



...FOR
USING
YOU
AS
BAIT.

NOW,
MY
DEAR
QUEEN.
THOUGH
IT MAY
BE BY
COINCID-
ENCE,
I DO
APOLO-
GIZE...



...I
SHALL
PASS
JUDGE-
MENT.

AND
WITHOUT
AWAIT-
ING
ARRANG-
MENT...

...I
SHALL
SEE
THROUGH
LIES
AND
DECEIT.



SHOW
IT TO
ME.

"THE
RULEBOOK
OF
SENTENCING
AND
EXECUTION."



WE
HELD OUR
BREATHS.



WE
LISTENED
TO THE
NEARLY-
FADING
MUSIC.



SILENT-
LY.

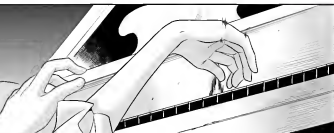
SILENTLY,
WE
LISTENED
ON.







cut08: "Isolation Inhibitor 2"





☆ ORDER'S HERE ☆









...IS
SHE
REALLY
A
POLICE
OFFICER
?

DON'T
CRY.

HE
GOT
AWAY
AGAIN.

I
WAS
CHASING...
AFTER
THAT
GUY
BUT...
WAAAH.



SOME-
THING...
MAKES
ME
UNEASY...



I
WONDER.

...
POLICE
?



A LONG
TIME
AGO
...



THERE
WAS A
JUDGE
NAMED
GARIBALDI.



HE WAS
ULTIMATELY
HANGED
FOR
KILLING
20
PEOPLE.



THERE
ARE
ALWAYS
HUMANI-
TARIANS
WHO ARE
LENIENT
TOWARDS
CRIMINALS
...



AND HE
COULD NOT
STAND THE
FACT THAT
THEY KEPT
CRIMINAL
SCUM FROM
FACING THE
DEATH
PENALTY.



SO HE
"JUDGED"
THEM
FOR IT...



...AND
TOOK
CARE
OF IT
HIMSELF.



...IT'S
JUSTICE.



SEVER-
ING
CRIME
EDGE.



DON'T
YOU
SEE?



KEH
KEH
HEH.



**"THE
ONE WHO
KILLS
THE HAIR
QUEEN..."**

**"...IS
GIVEN THE
ABILITY TO
REALIZE
THEIR
DESIRE."**

...HUH?



WHETHER IT
IS DUE TO
BELIEVING
THESE
WORDS, OR
THE QUEEN
HERSELF
CALLING OUT
TO THEM...

...I
PERSONALLY
DON'T HAVE
ANY INTEREST
IN HAVING A
WISH GRANTED,
SO DON'T
WORRY.

...THE
OWNERS OF
THESE TOOLS
CONVERGE ON
HER LOCATION
ONE WAY OR
ANOTHER.

QUEEN

I JUST
WANT TO
CONVICT THE
MURDERERS
THAT GO
AFTER HER.

**I
ENJOY
DOING
THAT.**



THEM?

YOU
KILL...

...SO.

TAKE A
STEP
BACK
FROM
HIM,
CITIZEN.

CLANG...
//x//...

IN OTHER
WORDS,
A HITMAN.

...HAS BEEN
KILLING
CRIMINALS
WHOSE
CRIMES
CAN'T BE
MADE
PUBLIC.

THIS
MAN
...

EVEN
THEN...

WHAT
YOU'RE
DOING
IS A...
CRIME...

I'M
SURE
I'VE
TOLD YOU
MANY
TIMES
ALREADY.

...I HAVE
PRACTICALLY
BEEN
ACCEPTED
AS A
COLLABORATOR
BY THE POLICE.





KICK
THE
STOOL.

"RULE-
BOOK OF
SENTENCING
AND
EXECUTION."

Gss...





THE
CONDITIONS
ARE BASICALLY
WHETHER I
DEEM ENOUGH
CRIMES
HAVE BEEN
COMMITTED TO
WARRANT
DEATH.

IF
THESE
CONDITIONS
ARE NOT
MET, THE
ROPE
SNAPS.

THE
ABILITY IS
"CONDITIONAL
KILLING."



I
WANT TO
USE THIS
POWER ON
SOMEONE
WHO'S
MORE
EVIL.

NOT ON
SOMEONE
WHO'S
BORING
LIKE HER.



I'LL
LEAVE
THE
REST
TO YOU.

HUH
?

IT'S
TOO
MUCH
OF A
HASSLE
TO CLEAN
IT UP.



...SHE IS
THE ONLY
ONE TO
FAINT
BEFORE-
HAND.

...
THOUGH
...





CHEESE
TASTES
GREAT



...YEAH,
AND THE
PERFORM-
ANCE
WAS
GOOD...



...I THINK I
UNDERSTAND
WHY MY
FATHER
LIKED THIS
PLACE.

...
THOUGH
I WAS
SCARED
TO COME
IN AT
FIRST...



I
ALWAYS
LEAVE
OUT A BIT
OF THE
SONG AT
THE END...

ABOUT
THAT
QUES-
TION
YOU
ASKED
...

...OH,
YES.

...TO
MAKE
PEOPLE
WANT TO
COME
AND
LISTEN
AGAIN
...
...
BECAUSE
THEY
WONDER
HOW IT
ENDS.



TO THE
END
...

I
STILL
WANT
TO
HEAR
IT.



...
BUT...



SO
PLEASE
COME
AGAIN IF
YOU
LIKE.

YEAH.



I SEE...
OTHER-
WISE
THEY'D BE
SATISFIED.



あー
ん...



IT'S
SOME-
THING
THAT'S
SET IN
STONE.

...I'M
SORRY.



...THE
SONG
UNTIL
IT
ENDED
...

...
REALLY
DID
PLAY...

BE-
CAUSE...
IF I...

...I
WANT
TO SEE
YOU
AGAIN
...

...SO I
CAN'T
LET YOU
HEAR
THE END.





THE
GIRL
FROM
THIS
AFTER-
NOON...

...
WHAT'S
WRONG
?



SHE
HAD...
LUSTROUS
HAIR.

...THE
"HAIR
QUEEN"
ALREADY.

MAYBE
WE'VE
MET...



...
THERE'S
PLENTY
OF
PEOPLE
WHO'D
MAKE US
PLAY THE
GAME.

...BUT
LIKE THE
MAN
WITH THE
BOOK
TODAY...

THERE'S
NO
WISH
WE WANT
TO MAKE
COME
TRUE.

...I
DON'T
REALLY
CARE
ABOUT
THAT.

HAHA.

...IF
THESE
PEOPLE
FROM
GOSSIP
DIDN'T
TRY TO
LOOK
FOR
US...

...THEN
THEY
WOULDN'T
HAVE
BEEN
INVITED TO
THIS
SPECIAL
CONCERT.

THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD

...DEAD
BODIES
ARE
EERILY
SILENT.

HEH.

...AS
SOMEONE
WHO CAN
HEAR.

THOSE
WORDS
DON'T
MEAN
MUCH TO
ME...

19-08-23
Dead bodies are eerily
silent.
19-08-29
Heh.



SOME-
THING
THAT
EVEN
YOU CAN
HEAR.

I'LL
PLAY
YOU
SOME-
THING.

...THEN
...



AFTER
ALL, YOU
ARE MY
INSTEAD.

HOCH?

WILL
YOU
LISTEN
'TIL THE
END
AGAIN
TODAY...



I'LL
LISTEN
AS MUCH
AS
YOU'D
LIKE.

THE
NIGHT IS
LONG.



SING
ME A
PSALM.

"PIANISSIMO
OF
ECSTATIC
SYMPHONY."





THE SEVERING CRIME EDGE



YOU'VE
BEEN
COMING
HERE
MORE
OFTEN
LATELY.



I LIKE
LISTENING
TO YOU
PLAY,
KITOWL.



IN JUST
A FEW
DAYS,
WE'RE
GOING
ON
A TRIP!

OH,
YES!

THAT
MAKES
ME
HAPPY.

I
HAVEN'T
HAD MUCH
OF AN
OPPOR-
TUNITY TO
TALK TO AN
OLDER
WOMAN, SO
IT'S FUN.

AND...
UM...



WATCH-
ING
THE
STARS
AT
NIGHT...

...YES,
AND A
CAMP-
FIRE
TOO, RIGHT?

HIKING
IN THE
MOUNTAINS,
RIDING
BOATS...



OH!

A
3-DAY
2-NIGHT
SCHOOL
ORIENT-
TEERING
TRIP.

A
TRIP?



NO,
LHM.

IT'S
NOT
THAT I
DON'T
LIKE
THEM...
BUT...

DO
YOU
NOT
LIKE
STARS?



?



OH...



I
ENVY
EVERYONE
BECAUSE
THEY CAN
ENJOY IT...

...I'M
JUST
NOT A
FAN...





cut09: "Before the Game"

— TOKUSA MIDDLE SCHOOL 3-B #21 KIRI HAIMURA'S THINGS. —



IT
WAS

...

...THE
EVENING
OF THE
DAY I MET
THE
RULEBOOK.

GENERAL
HOSPITAL

MS.
ZENIGATA
REGAINED
CONSCIOUS-
NESS
QUICKLY.

LIGH
...

MS.
ZENI-
GATA
...?

LUM,
LUM
...

YOU EVEN
BROUGHT
ME TO A
HOSPITAL
AND ALL.

SNAP!

I'M VERY
SORRY
FOR WHAT
HAPPENED
TODAY!

OH NO,
DON'T
WORRY.









...ABOUT
WHAT'S
CALLED
THE
KILLING
TOOLS
...?

...IS
THIS
SOME-
THING
...



AT
LEAST...
THAT'S
WHAT
I'VE
HEARD
...?

...AND
THE
WORLD'S
PROM-
INENT
FIGURES
ARE AT ITS
CORE...

...IT
USED TO
BE SOME-
WHAT LIKE
A SOCIAL
CLUB FOR
THE UPPER
CLASS...

...TO A
GROUP
CALLED
GOSSIP,
AND I
KNOW
THEY'RE
HELPING
HIM...

...THE
HIGHER
UPS IN
THE
POLICE
FORCE
ARE
CONNECT-
ED...





...IT'S
ABOUT
RIGHT.



GOSSIP
...
...IS ALL
ABOUT
"OBSER-
VATION."

THEY
DON'T DO
ANYTHING
DIRECTLY
TO AN
AUTHOR.

...AND
MANIP-
ULATE
THEM TO
KILL THE
QUEEN...

ALL
THEY DO
IS GIVE
THEM
INFOR-
MATION,
AND KEEP
WATCH IF
THEY
CAN...



IT'S
DONE IN
BAD
TASTE.



...
INVOLVED
IN SOME
WAY...

...SO
YOU'RE
ALL...



...SEIJI
NIJIMA'S
STRANGE
POWER.



THE
KILLING TOOL,
"THE RULE-
BOOK OF
SENTENCING
AND
EXECUTION."



YET HE
PREFERS A
DIFFERENT
METHOD...
SEEING
THEM "IN
THE ACT."

BUT IT
SEEMS
A COURT
RULING
IS
ENOUGH.

IT WORKS
BEST WITH
SERIOUS
CRIMES LIKE
MURDER OR
ROBBERY.



...TO
GET AN
AUTHOR
TO COMMIT
A CRIME
IN FRONT
OF HIM.

HE'LL
BE
DOING
HIS
BEST
RIGHT
NOW...

FRONT
LINES
FOR THE
ADJUDI-
CATOR...





TIME
PASSES
WITHOUT
ME
MENTIONING
THIS...

...TO
IWAH.

...IT'S
ALREADY
THE END
OF THE
GOLDEN
WEEK
HOLIDAYS.





AND THE
MIDDLE
OF OUR
ORIENTEERING
TRIP.

PANK

PANK
ぜ
ほ

PANK
ぜ
ほ

PANK
ぜ
ほ



SMALL
OK?

IT
TOOK
US
3 HOURS
...

...AND
WE HAD
TO WALK
FROM THE
BASE OF
THE
MOUNTAIN
...

THE
HIGH
SCHOOL
GETS TO
BUG IT...



OH!

YOU ARE
INDEED
THE ACE
OF THE
TAIDO*
CLUB...

I
WORK
OUT.
BUT
I AM
TIRED

KOTARO,
YOU
DON'T
LOOK
TIRED AT
ALL...















THIS
FEELING,
THIS
TEMP-
TATION
...

...JUST
WELLS
UP
INSIDE.

DON'T
YOU
THINK?

THWICK
!!



MANY GUESTS
DISAPPEARED
AFTER BEING
INVITED
TO HER
MANSION...

...CALLED THE "MASTER OF PIGS"
BY FUTURE GENERATIONS,
THE MURDERER
WAS A NOBLE
IN THE MEIJI PERIOD.
THE DEATH
OF HER SPOUSE
CHANGED HER.



...AND
WERE
EVENTUALLY
FOUND IN
HORRIBLE
STATES.



...TO AN
UNDER-
GROUND
CHAMBER,
GIVEN A
SMALL
BLANKET
AND LITTLE
FOOD OR
WATER.

THEY
DIED
DUE TO
STARVATION
AND FROM
DISEASE...
THESE
VICTIMS
WERE
BROUGHT
...

THEY
WERE
BEING
TREATED
LIKE
LIVE-
STOCK.

...THEY
BECAME
SUB-
MISSIVE
...

...LIKE
PIGS, BY
BEING
WHIPPED
BY THE
MASTER.



AND
TOGETHER
THEY
PAINTED A
COMPO-
SITION OF
RULED AND
RULER.



THE
OBEDIENCE
OF THOSE
BEING
WHIPPED

...
GRANTED
AUTHORITY
TO THE
ONE WITH
THE WHIP.



BACH
TIME
THE
WHIP
CRACKED

...
TURNED
PEOPLE
INTO
PIGS.

... THE
SOUND
...







THE
MAIN
EVENT
OF THE
DAY.

A
LITTLE
PAST
MID-
NIGHT.



UNDER
THE
MIDNIGHT
SKY.



I'm hiding next
to the path to
the plaza.



JUST
THE
TWO OF
US...

...
TOGETHER,
HIDDEN
FROM
EVERY-
ONE...

も...
も...
も...





DON'T
WORRY.

FOR
HAVING
YOU
COME
ALL THE
WAY
HERE TO
CUT MY
HAIR.

SORRY,
KIRI...



I
ENJOY
DOING
THIS.



Y-
YEAH...

cut 10



...IT
REALLY
ISN'T
A
HASSLE.

IWAH...

cut 10: "Break & Through"



SNIP.

SNIP
SNIP.

JUST
LIKE
THIS.

SNIP
SNIP.

...
WELL,
I DO
THIS
ALMOST
EVERY
DAY.

YOU'VE
GOTTEN
USED
TO
THIS.

...KIRI.

SNIP...

YEAH.



...KIRI.

YOU'VE
GOTTEN
USED
TO
THIS.

...
WELL,
I DO
THIS
ALMOST
EVERY
DAY.

JUST
LIKE
THIS.

SNIP
SNIP.

YEAH.

cut 10: "Break & Through"



SNIP...

SNIP.

SNIP
SNIP.





...I
SEE...
SORRY.

...SO
I
REMEM-
BER
THAT
FEELING,
STILL...

...OF
BEING
ALL
ALONE...

LOOKING
AT THE
STARS
WAS THE
ONLY
THING TO
DO AT
NIGHT.

BEFORE
I MET
YOU...
WHEN I
COULDN'T
LEAVE
THE
HOUSE
AT ALL.



DO
YOU
LIKE
IT?

...KIRI...



JUST
THAT I
WAS BORED
DURING
SCIENCE
CLASSES
IN
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL...

WELL,
IT'S
NOT
REALLY
CLEAR
TO ME...

?
YEAH...

CLOUDY
TODAY.

HUH?

OH,
THE
STARS.







I'M
SORRY,
BUT
PLEASE
CUT MY
HAIR
TOMORROW,
TOO.

LET'S
LEAVE
THAT
ASIDE
FOR
NOW.

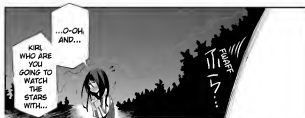


I'M
SO GLAD
WE'RE IN
THE GAME
SCHOOL.

I
HAVE TO
THANK THE
PROFESSOR
FOR
THAT...

IT MAKES
IT SO
CONVENIENT
FOR TIMES
LIKE THIS.







GIRLS
CAN
JUST...

**GO
AND
DIE.**

W-
WHAT
DID
YOU
DO?

...WHA...



AH, HE
CONFESSED
HIS
FEELINGS
BUT GOT
SHOT
DOWN.

WELL
IT IS A
FIELD
TRIP,
I CAN
SEE THAT
HAPPEN-
ING.

BUT
WHO
WOULD
KID
CONFESS
TO...



...
PROBABLY
I'WAL.

YUP.

OH.
THAT
LITTLE
GIRL
?

...WHAT'S
GOOD
ABOUT
A KID
LIKE HER?

WELL,
SHE'S
CUTE...

BUT I
WOULDN'T
FALL FOR
HER...







WHY.

**STOP!
NIGI!**

IT'S
NOT
SLUMMER!
STOP
IT!

STOP



COME
ON, IT
MAKES IT
MORE LIKE A
FIELD
TRIP!

SO
THIS GUY
SWUNG
HIS
BLOODED
WEAPON...



OH... YEAH,
THIS IS THE
FIRST TIME
YOU'VE BEEN
IN THE GYM
CLASS

...KASHIKO,
NIGI
IS A
STRANGE
GIRL...

HOW CAN
YOU
SLEEP
BY OKAZAKI
?

FAVORITE
GENRES:
THE
OCCULT,
SPATTER,
HORROR.

NIGI
HIBUSATO,
IS,
FEMALE.

DEFI-
NITELY
NORMA
GRAYLAND
!!

AND
FROM
HISTORY
IT
WOULD
BE...

HANNIBAL
LECTER.

FAVO-
RITE
PERSON

THEN
TOBIN
BELL!

...PICK
AN
ACTOR.













SHE'S
PRETTY
POPULAR.

OH
YEAH,
SHIHODO.

IS
THAT...

THE
VICE
PRESIDENT
OF THE
HIGH
SCHOOL
STUDENT
COUNCIL?

NEAR
THE TOP OF
THE CLASS
IN GRADES,
AND VICE
PRESIDENT.
SHE'S MODEST,
TOO, SO SHE'S
GOT LOTS OF
FANS.

SHE'S
SMART
AND BEAU-
TIFUL.

IT'S
SCARY

ALWAYS
REMEMB-
ER THE
PRESIDENT

SHE
KIND
OF
STANDS
OUT.



...DOESN'T
IT LOOK
LIKE
THERE'S
SOMETHING
WRONG
...?



IT'S
JUST THAT
YOU GUYS
DON'T PAY
ATTENTION
TO THINGS
LIKE THIS.

...YOU
KNOW A
LOT
ABOUT
HER.

DON'T
KNOW
NOTHING
ABOUT
THE
HIGH
SCHOOL











OF
WHOSE
?

...HUM?

I'VE
HEARD
SHE'S A
CHILD-
HOOD
FRIEND
AS WELL.

...OH
YEAH.



ZAIGA,
THE
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT.

...SHE'S
ALWAYS
WITH HIM.









...KORI,
THE CHILDREN
NEXT DOOR
GOT SCARED...

IT'S
SCISSOR
MAN, THE
MURDERER.



AAA...
THE BAD
MEMORIES
ARE
COMING
BACK



FOR NOT
BEING
NORMAL.

SORRY.

GUESS I
SHOULD
HEAD TO
THE HIGH
SCHOOLERS

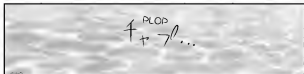


SO
I GOT
OVER-
CONFIDENT...

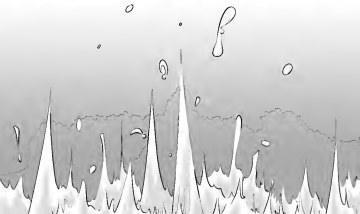
BUT
I WAS
HAPPY
THAT
IWA
NEEDED
ME.

YES,
I'M
A BAD
PERSON.

















PUSHED
IN?



NO...



...
WELL...

TIME
TO
LEAVE
THIS
PLACE
...!



...I
FEEL
SORRY
FOR
YOU.



NO
ONE
WILL
SAVE
YOU.



...TO
MURAHANO-
KOJI

武者小路 武
To Mushanokoji.

可哀想に I feel sorry for you.
助け誰にも救われない
No one will save you.

にあがこうとひとりぼっち
You are all alone, no matter
how hard you struggle.

YOU ARE
ALL ALONE,
NO MATTER
HOW
HARD YOU
STRUGGLE.

...AT THE
MERCY
OF A
HIDEOUS
FATE.

YOU
WILL LET
OUT A
HEART-
RENDING
CRY...

おぞましい運命に翻弄されながら
おぞましい叫びを上げるだろう
You will let out a heart-rending cry
at the mercy of a hideous fate.

有学校 生徒会長

TOKUSA
HIGH
SCHOOL
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT

ROMYO
ZAIGA

十草高
校 学生会
長
Romio Zaiga
Tokusa High School
Student Council
President



CRUMPLE
くしゃっ



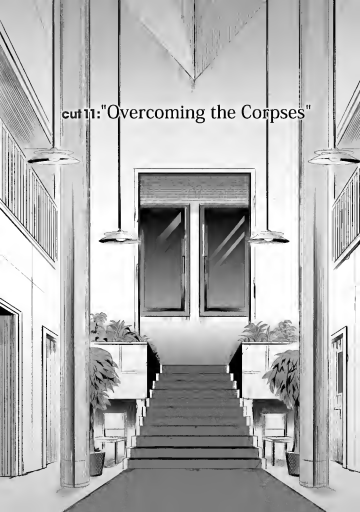
WHAT
IS
THIS...

THIS
IS
CREEPY...

くしゃっ
30...



cut 11: "Overcoming the Corpses"







I
DOUBT
KIRI
WOULD
EVER
DROP...?

DID
HE
DROP
IT...?

...BUT
THAT'S
ODD.











NEVER
TOUCH
MY HAIR
THAT
AGGRESS-
IVELY!

...HE
WOULD
NEVER!



WHAT'S...
HAPPEN-
ING...

IT'S
AS IF
HE WAS
UNCON-
SCIOUS.

THOSE
EYES...
HIS
APPEAR-
ANCE....







...
JUMPED
ON TOP
OF ME.

...
GRABBED
ME
AND...

...
BIGGER
THAN
ME...

MANY
GUYS
WHO
ARE
...









...HE'S
WITH
ME.

HIS
SOUL
IS
STILL
HERE.

KIRI
IS
JUST
BEING
CON-
TROLLED.

...IT'S
ALL
RIGHT.



THERE'S
NO
DOUBT...
I'M UNDER
ATTACK
BY A
KILLING
TOOL..

...USING
THE VICE
PRESI-
DENT
TO PUSH
ME OFF...
AND THE
LETTER...

...DON'T
CRY,
IWAI.



THE
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
IS THE
AUTHOR OF
THE
TOOL....!







...TRIED
TO
ASSAULT
A GIRL.

...I
JUST
100



...I
WONDER
WHO.



I
REMEMBER
ENTERING
THIS
BUILDING AND
IMMEDIATELY
GETTING
HIT BY
SOMETHING.

AND
MY
MIND
IS
EMPTY.

...WHAT
IS
WRONG
WITH ME.

MY
BODY'S
MOVING
ON ITS
OWN.

...UHH.

WHO
CALLED
ME
HERE?



...I
CAN
HEAR
SOME-
ONE.

...I
CAN'T
REMEM-
BER.

I CAN'T
GATHER MY
STRENGTH
...
MY FEET
ARE HEAVY.



SOUNDS
EASY...

THAT
SOUNDS
GOOD.

THEN
I DON'T
NEED
TO
THINK.

LET'S
JUST
LISTEN
TO
WHAT
THEY
SAY.





THIS
IS EASIER
THAN IT
SEEMED.

...HAHA.



I GUESS
HE'S THE
SAME AS
ANY
OTHER
MAN.

I WAS
CAUTIOUS
BECAUSE
I HEARD
HE WAS
DESCENDED
FROM THE
INFAMOUS
GRAYLAND.



...HIS
MIND WAS
PROBABLY
WEAK-
ENED
IN SOME
WAY.
THE
KILLING
TOOL
WILL NOT
MISS
THAT.



MY
ABILITY IS
"TRAINING
FLAGEL-
LATION."

...AS
LONG
AS THE
SUBJECT
IS MALE

...IT
WORKS
TREMEN-
DOUSLY.

...AND
MAKE
THEM
OBE-
DIENT.

I
DESTROY
THEIR WILL
WITH
NUMER-
OUS WHIP-
PINGS...

...
RUKA.

I'M NOT
DOING THIS
BECAUSE
OF THE
TOOLS.

SO THAT
I'M THE
ONE WHO
LOOKS
SUBSERVIENT
AND
LADYLIKE.

I'M
MAKING
YOU
LISTEN
WITH THIS,
TOO.

I
CHOOSE
TO
FOLLOW
YOU...
FROM THE
BOTTOM
OF MY
HEART.

I
AM...

...THE PET
WHIP OF
SUBMISSIVE
BUTCHERY.

**I
AM...**

**...THE PET
WHIP OF
SUBMISSIVE
BUTCHERY.**





MY
ABILITY IS
"TRAINING
FLAGEL-
LATION."



...AS
LONG
AS THE
SUBJECT
IS MALE
...

...IT
WORKS
TREMEN-
DOUSLY.

...AND
MAKE
THEM
OBE-
DIENT.

I
DESTROY
THEIR WILL
WITH
NUMER-
OUS
WHIP-
PINGS...



...
RIKA.

I'M NOT
DOING THIS
BECAUSE
OF THE
TOOLS.

SO THAT
I'M THE
ONE WHO
LOOKS
SUBSERVIENT
AND
LADYLIKE.

I'M
MAKING
YOU
LISTEN
WITH THIS,
TOO.



I
CHOOSE
TO
FOLLOW
YOU...
FROM THE
BOTTOM
OF MY
HEART.



**SO
HIT
ME.**

**ABUSE
ME.**

**TRAMPLE
ME.**

**BEING
RULED
BY YOU
GIVES ME
PLEASURE
LIKE NO
OTHER.**

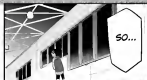






...I
LIKE
TO
RULE.

I
WANT
TO
BE
THE
MOST
DISTIN-
GUISHED
PERSON.



SO...



MY
WISH
UPON
KILLING
THE
QUEEN
IS
THAT.



...THAT
MAKES
ME
FURIOUS...



...AND
BECOME
A
"SPECIAL
QUEEN"
...

TO
LEAVE
ME
BEHIND
...



SO
I
WILL

...

...
TORMENT
HER.



EVERY-
WHERE I GO
THERE ARE
STUDENTS
BEING
CONTROLLED



THE
"ENEMY"
CAN DO
ALL OF
THIS...?



I'M
SCARED...!



HOW DO I
MAKE HIM
REGAIN HIS
CONSCIOUS-
NESS...

IF KIRI
WERE
WITH
ME...

BUT.



cut 12: "Hardcore Breakbeats"



NAME

INJECTION OF ETERNAL SLEEP

UNIT

KILLING TOOL

AUTHOR



! YAMANE BYOINZAKA

ORIGINAL

"MALICIOUS ANGEL" NIGHTINGALE

SKILL

! DRUG
PENETRATION

! DRUG
ENHANCEMENT

! ????

! ????

TIPS

MAKING THE
DRUG BECOME
DOZENS OF TIMES
MORE POTENT. THIS
INCLUDES DRUGS
ADMINISTERED TO
HERSELF, MAKING
POSSIBLE SO-CALLED
"DOPING."





...I'LL
DO MY
BEST...

...I'LL
LET
YOU
INJECT
ME...

WHEN
YOU
COME
HOME...



THERE
MUST BE
ANOTHER
AUTHOR!!

...SO IT
SEEMS.
IS THIS
THE
OTHER
AUTHOR
THEN?

WITH A
TOOL TO
CONTROL
ZOMBIE-
LIKE
THINGS...



INTER-
CEPT
ATTACK

THE
RULE-
BOOK IS
JUST
WAITING
TO CATCH
THEM IN
THE ACT!



JUST
"TAKING
CONTROL
OF PEOPLE"
ISN'T MUCH
TO WORK
WITH...

YEEAAHHH,
BUT...

THE
ABILITIES OF
A KILLING
TOOL ARE
JUST A
"COPY OF
THE
ORIGINAL
CRIME."

DO
YOU
KNOW
WHAT IT
MIGHT
BE?





HMM
MAYBE I
CAN
REMEMBER
SOMETHING
...

...BUT
THEY'RE
ALL MALE.



...IT
SEEMS
LIKE
EACH
PERSON
HAS A
WELT.

LIKE
SOME-
ONE HIT
THEM
WITH A
THIN
OBJECT.

A
WELT,
YOU
SAY?



MORE
IMPORTANTLY,
PROTECT
THE QUEEN
IF SHE'S
BEING
TARGETED
BY THE
AUTHOR.

...ELSE
IT COULD
BE A
SIGN OF
DEPENDENCE.

...OKAY.



I
WONDER
IF THIS
AUTHOR
HATES
MEN.

IT
SEEMS
SO
SADISTIC.



BUT I
WON'T LET
SOMEONE
ELSE KILL
HER FOR
THE WISH.

...I
HAVE NO
INTENTION
OF SAVING
HER.



STOP...

KIRI...!!

WAKE
UP...!

TURNST

IT'S
NOT
WORKING
...?

WILL
HE
NEVER
BE THE
SAME
...?

IS
THERE
NOTHING
I CAN
DO?



THIS
CAN'T
BE...

THIS
IS...
CRUEL.

NO...

GRAB

...SEEING
THE
STARS.

...THAT'S
WHAT
WE WOULD
HAVE
BEEN
DOING...

...IT
WOULD
HAVE
BEEN A
GREAT
TIME...!

AFTER
A NICE
BARBECUE
DINNER.

LET'S
GO
HOME...
PLEASE
...!

PAUSE
to
9
...

...THERE
MIGHT
BE
ENOUGH
TIME.

KIRI
...!

...

...?

THAT
WILL
CHANGE
YOUR
WORLD.

ALL
YOU
NEED
TO
DO
IS
EXPRESS
YOUR
FEELINGS.

...DID
IT
REACH
YOU?

...KIRI?

MY
FEEL--





**KIRI
!!**



...
"PET WHIP
OF
SUBMISSIVE
BUTCHERY."



TO KIRI...
AND THE
OTHER
STUDENTS
...?

WHAT
DID
YOU
DO...



I
UNFOR-
TUNATELY
CANNOT GIVE
THEM
COMPLEX
ORDERS.

I
EMPTIED
THEIR MINDS
AND ORDERED
THEM TO
"ASSAULT
WOMEN," MY
QUEEN.



...!!

THEIR
"INST-
INCTS."

EVERY-
THING
ELSE THEY
DO IS IN
THEM-
SELVES...

FNIP

AH...

INSTINCTS
...





THE HAIR
ISN'T HARD.
IN FACT, IT'S
ELEGANT!
IT SEEMS
TO REJECT
CHANGE...

UH...
IT CAN'T
CUT, IT
CAN'T
CUT...

MONSTER.

MONSTER.

MONSTER.

HAHAHA...

SHE
HAS
NOT
BROKEN.

THAT'S
ODD...



I
WON'T
LOSE
TO
THEM...!

...I
WON'T
LOSE.

THEY'RE
TRYING
TO...
CRUSH
MY
MIND...!

THEY
...!

...LET'S
TRY
SOMETHING
ELSE.









PLEASE.

STOP
IT,
KIRI.

DON'T
CUT
HER
HAIR.



STOP
IT!

IDIOT!

WHOA

STOP....!
I'M
ASKING
YOU TO
STOP!





IDIOT!

IDIOT!



**KIRI,
YOU
IDIOT!**

**FALLING
FOR
SOMEONE
LIKE HER!**



**IDIOT!
YOU
BIG
IDIOT!**





KIRI...
KIRI...!

**I
HATE
YOU!**





...BE
QUIET.









SNAP!!

WHA...

WHAT
...?!

...!!



?!



**DON'T
CALL
ME
AN
IDIOT
!!!!**

I
DIDN'T
HAVE
CONTROL.
SHE WAS
MANIPULA
TING ME
WITH THAT
WHIP!!

BUT YOU
JUST
KEPT
CALLING
ME AN
IDIOT...

IT
STILL
HURTS.
AW
MAN

AND
NOW YOU
HATE
ME?!
WHO DO
YOU
THINK
YOU
ARE?!

I'M
THE ONE
WHO CAN'T
BELIEVE
IT!
WHAT
WAS
WITH
THAT?!

THAT'S
NOT
WHAT
I
MEANT
...!

THEN
WHAT
DID
YOU
MEAN!

W-WHAT
ARE YOU
SO ANGRY
ABOUT?!
I DON'T
BELIEVE
IT!

怒
ANGER

ANGER

怒

**YOU
HAVE TO
SAY IT
CLEARLY!**

**OTHER-
WISE
I
WON'T
UNDER-
STAND!!**







**THE
SEVERING
CRIME
EDGE.**

...IN
MY VEINS
FLOWS
THE BLOOD
OF THE
WORST.

to be continued



...IN
MY VEINS
FLOWS
THE BLOOD
OF THE
WORST.

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